#### INTERVENTION



October 28, 2014

From: Tonto Creek Trail RV Park, Inc.

Gary & Margaret Lantagne, Owners

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1200 W. Washington Street

Phoenix, AZ 85007

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RE:

MOTION TO INTERVENE in the Application of Tonto Basin Water Company (JW Water Holdings,

LLC) for increases in its Water Rates and Charges for utilities services

Docket No. W-03515A-14-0310

We wish to intervene in the application for increases in the Water Rates and Charges filed by Tonto Basin Water Company. As customers of Tonto Basin Water Company, we strongly object to the proposed rate increases.

We own Tonto Creek Trail RV Park, Inc. which is an 85 site RV Park for 55+ residents. As a matter of park policy we do all we can to conserve water; including desert landscaping with no water lines going to any of our plants and there is no grass in the entire park. We also have signs encouraging our residents to be conservative with water usage.

Our highest water usage is during the winter months since we are mainly a snowbird park. Therefore, our higher usage time is the opposite of normal high peak usage. This alleviates the pressure of water usage highs which are normally in the summer time.

Enclosed is a five page document reflecting the park's water usage and costs for 12 months and the comparison of the proposed rates. Even at our highest usage months, our average water usage per site was 920 gallons in January, 934 gallons in February, and 928 gallons in March. Keep in mind that our total water usage is for 85 sites including the park's water usage.

Higher tier rates on residential water are unjust and unreasonable when serving individual park residents whose average water usage is already low. We are not a business or industry that uses water for making something but rather we are servicing individual people.

We also pay a much higher base rate (\$80 with proposed increase to \$129.76) because we have a 3" meter serving individual residents in our park. In addition, the water company actually saves money each month since they do not have to read 85 meters and send 85 bills. They only read one meter and

send one bill per month. Again, why should we have to pay a higher base when our usage is low per site and is cheaper for the provider. This is unjust and unreasonable.

Tonto Basin does not have the water shortage problems that many of the other communities have and we do not feel the water company is being fair or reasonable in their proposed rate increases. Tonto Basin is a community made up of many retired residents. Do the residents of Tonto Basin deserve an 85% increase in water? Can they afford an 85% increase? The answer to both of these questions is **NOI** These are unjust and unreasonable increases.

We hereby certify that a copy of this notice of intervention has been mailed to Tonto Basin Water Company, JW Water Holdings, LLC, 7581 E. Academy Blvd., Suite 229, Denver, CO 80230-7106.

Respectfully,

Gary & Margaret Lantagne

Tonto Creek Trail RV Park, Inc., Owners

Cc: Arizona Corporation Commission (13)

Tonto Basin Water Company (1)

Enclosures (1)

#### Current Rates

Date	3" Meter Cost	Water (Total Gallons)	Commodity Total Cost Charge w/o Taxes	Total Cost w/o Taxes
8-13-14 to 9-12-14	\$80.00	41,540	\$93.67	\$173.67

			Commodity		
			Charge Per		
	3" Meter	Water (Total	1,000	Commodity   Total Cost	Total Cost
Date	Cost	Gallons)	Gallons	Charge	w/o Taxes
			See		
8-13-14 to			highlighted		
9-12-14	\$129.76	41,540	tiers below	\$186.79	\$316.55
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		up to 4,000	\$3.00	\$12.00	
		4,001 to 10,000	\$3.90	\$23.40	
		over 10,000	\$4.80	\$151.39	

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7-17-14 to				
8-12-14	00000	17.200	\$36.06	\$116.06
11-71-0	\$60.00	17,200	\$30.30	\$110.20

7-12-14 to 8-12-14	\$129.76	17.200	See highlighted tiers below	96.69\$	\$199.72
		up to 4,000 \$3.00	\$3.00	\$12.00	
		4,001 to 10,000	\$3.90	\$23.40	18
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\$141.42	\$61.42	27,700	\$80.00	7-11-14
				6-14-14 to

			See		
5-14-14 to 7-11-14	\$129.76	27,700	highlighted tiers below	\$120.36	\$250.12
		up to 4,000 \$3.00	\$3.00	\$12.00	
		4,001 to 10,000	\$3.90	\$23.40	
		over 10,000	\$4.80	\$84.96	

### Current Rates

, .	3" Meter	Water	Commodity Total Cost	Total Cost
	Cost	Gallons)	Charge	w/o Taxes
<b>∞</b>	\$80.00	26,400	\$58.39	\$138.39

		*	Commodity Charge Per		
	3" Meter	Water (Total	1,000	Commodity   Total Cost	Total Cost
Date	Cost	Gallons)	Gallons	Charge	w/o Taxes
			See		
5-14-14 to			highlighted		
6-13-14	\$129.76	26,400	tiers below	\$114.12	\$243.88
		up to 4,000	\$3.00	\$12.00	
		4,001 to 10,000	\$3.90	\$23.40	
		over 10,000	\$4.80	\$78.72	

4-16-14 to				
5-13-14	\$80.00	38,900	\$87.52	\$167.52

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\$3.00	4-16-14 to 5-13-14	\$129.76	38,900	See highlighted tiers below	\$174.12	\$303.88
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\$3.90			up to 4,000		\$12.00	
\$4.80			4,001 to 10,000		\$23.40	**
			over 10,000	\$4.80	\$138.72	

	\$260.72
	\$180.72
	78,900
	\$80.00
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3-12-14 to 4-15-14	\$129.76	78,900	highlighted tiers below	\$366.12	\$495.88
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		up to 4,000 \$3.00	\$3.00	\$12.00	
		4,001 to 10,000	\$3.90	\$23.40	
(N)		over 10,000	\$4.80	\$330.72	

#### **Current Rates**

			Commodity		
			Charge Per		
	3" Meter	Water (Total	1,000	1	Total Cost
Date	Cost	Gallons)	Gallons	Charge	w/o Taxes
			See		
3-12-14 to			highlighted		
4-15-14	\$129.76	78,900	tiers below	\$366.12	\$495.88
		up to 4,000	\$3.00	\$12.00	
		4,001 to 10,000	\$3.90	\$23.40	
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2-12-14 to			highlighted		
3-11-14	\$129.76	79,400	tiers below	\$368.52	\$498.28
		up to 4,000	\$3.00	\$12.00	
		4,001 to 10,000	\$3.90	\$23.40	
		over 10,000	\$4.80	\$333.12	

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1-11-14 to 2-11-14	\$129.76	78,200	highlighted tiers below	\$362.76	\$492.52
		up to 4,000	\$3.00	\$12.00	
		4,001 to 10,000	\$3.90	\$23.40	
		over 10,000	\$4.80	\$327.36	

#### **Current Rates**

Commodity Total Cost Charge w/o Taxes	
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Water (Total Gallons)	
3" Meter Cost	
Date	

	w/o Taxes		\$404.68			
;	Charge		\$274.92	\$12.00	\$23.40	\$239.52
Commodity Charge Per	1,000 Gallons	See highlighted	tiers below	\$3.00	\$3.90	\$4.80
1.7.4.7	water (10tal Gallons)		59,900	up to 4,000	4,001 to 10,000	over 10,000
34.00	3" Meter Cost		\$129.76			
	Date	12-11-13 to	1-10-14			123

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11-11-13 to	\$129.76	59,900	highlighted tiers below	\$274.92	\$404.68
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		up to 4,000	\$3.00	\$12.00	
		4,001 to 10,000	\$3.90	\$23.40	
		over 10,000	\$4.80	\$239.52	

10-11-13 to	11-11-13
	\$80.00
	44,605
	\$100.81
	\$180.81

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0-11-13 to 1-11-13	\$129.76	44,605	highlighted tiers below	\$201.50	\$331.26
		up to 4,000 \$3.00	\$3.00	\$12.00	
		4,001 to 10,000	\$3.90	\$23.40	
	i de la companya de	over 10,000	\$4.80	\$166.10	

#### **Current Rates**

#### Proposed Rates

Commodity   Total Cost
Charge

			Commodity		
			Charge Per		
	3" Meter	Water (Total	1,000	Commodity   Total Cost	Total Cost
Date	Cost	Gallons)	Gallons	Charge	w/o Taxes
			See		
9-11-13 to			highlighted		
10-11-13	\$129.76	23,855	tiers below	\$101.90	\$231.66
		up to 4,000	\$3.00	\$12.00	
		4,001 to 10,000	\$3.90	\$23.40	
		over 10,000	\$4.80	\$66.50	

#### Summary

\$2,526.54 Current 12 Month Total

Proposed 12 Month Total

The above totals reflect an 85% increase in the rates. \*\*Gila County & AZ State Tax plus Commodity/Usage Tax still need to be added to the totals.\*\*